

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

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ABSENTEE/MAIL BALLOT APPLICATION DEADLINE APPROACHES Applications Must Be Received By Registrar No Later Than Tuesday, October 26

Registrar of Voters Sally McPherson reminds voters who expect to be away on Election Day, or who prefer to vote at home, that applications for an absentee/mail ballot for the November 2 Presidential General Election must be received by the Registrar's office no later than 5 p.m., Tuesday, October 26. This application deadline is set by state law to allow sufficient time for voters to receive their ballots, fill them out and return or mail them to the Registrar's office by the close of polls (8 p.m.) on Election Day.

Absentee ballots can be obtained three ways:

- 1. An application for an absentee ballot is found on the back of each sample ballot pamphlet. A voter may complete this application, then mail or fax it to the Registrar of Voters.
- 2. A voter can download the application for an absentee ballot from the Registrar of Voters' Web site at www.sdvote.com, complete it and mail or fax it to the Registrar of Voters.
- 3. A voter can write or fax a note to the Registrar of Voters requesting an absentee ballot. Each application must contain name, residence address, the name and date of the election for which a ballot is requested (November 2 General Election), the address where the ballot is to be mailed and the voter's signature.

Mail requests to: P.O. Box 85520 San Diego, CA 92186-5520 Fax requests to: 858-694-2955

Voters who miss this absentee deadline and cannot make it to the polls on Election Day can still come into the Registrar of Voters office through Election Day to cast their ballots. The office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, including Saturday and Sunday, October 30 and 31, and from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Election Day. The Registrar's office is located in Kearny Mesa at 5201 Ruffin Road, Suite I. For additional information, call (858) 565-5800.

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